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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION

In the Office Action dated October 18, 2004, the Examiner indicated that the present application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

- a. Species I (Figures 1-2); and
- b. Species II (Figures 4-5).

The Examiner indicated that claim 1 appears to be generic. Applicants hereby elect Species II (Figs. 4 and 5). Claims 1, 6 and 8-20 read on Species II.

In the event there are any remaining informalities, the courtesy of a telephone call to the undersigned attorney would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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